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2. the following information concerning supply installations:

(a) Class I (Rations - Food)

the 1018th AAA Regiment, obtained its Class I supplies from the 1st Mechanized Army food depot in Dresden which was located on Konigsbruck St opposite a former turbine factory complex. These supplies were brought to us by truck each week. The depot occupied an area about 900 x 300m and was enclosed on three sides by a 2.5m high fence topped with barbed wire. (See Enclosure (A) for a sketch of Army Food Depot and Vegetable Storehouses in Dresden)

(b) Class II and IV (Clothing, Equipment and Ordnance, Engineer, Chemical, Signal or Medical Supplies)

A Class II and IV supply point is located in the eastern part of Radebeul (Radebeul-Ost), a suburb 15km west of Dresden. I am not familiar with the location of this clothing, equipment and ordnance supply point.

(c) Class III (Gasoline, Oil or Grease)

A Class III (POL) supply dump of the 1st Mechanized Army is located in Radebeul-West. It occupies an area about 700 x 450m which is enclosed by a wooden fence 2.5m high topped by barbed wire, and is about one kilometer from the Radebeul main railroad station and about eight kilometers from Coswig. About 20

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Soviet soldiers guard the dump; there are five 24-hour guard posts and two-man patrols guard the area at night. Five officers /names unknown/ are assigned to the dump. These include the commanding officer, a major; political officer, a captain; and three lieutenants who serve as technical officers. The dump contains four storage tanks, each partly under and partly above ground. Each has a diameter of six to eight meters, but I do not know their capacities. [See Enclosure (B) for a sketch of the POL Depot in Radebeul-West.]

(d) Class V (Am. Ammunition)

A Class V depot is located about 25km north of Dresden; I do not know the exact location.

3. I know of no plans concerning the movement of Soviet supply points toward the west in the event of hostilities or prior to hostile action.
4. Line units have a 10-day supply of emergency field rations (Neprikosnovennye Zapasy - emergency stocks) to be used in the event of hostilities. In addition to these emergency rations, each soldier has an allowance of two days combat rations which are in the custody of the unit first sergeant. In the event of an alert, the 10-day supply of combat rations is loaded on trucks for movement, and the two-day supply of combat rations is doled out to individual soldiers. Unit first sergeants are also charged with the ammunition supply for their units. This supply includes 120 rounds of carbine ammunition for each soldier armed with a carbine and two 72-round drum magazine for each soldier armed with an SMG. In addition 200 rounds for each SMG are kept in a separate storage room. Each artillery piece has a basic allotment of 600 rounds; in addition, 200 rounds for each piece are held in reserve in the artillery supply section of the unit. The artillery supply section also has 12 thousand rounds of machine gun ammunition as the reserve per unit machine gun. I do not know the amount of machine gun ammunition kept in unit supply rooms. Each vehicle, in addition to a full tank, has two 150-liter cans of gasoline which are kept in reserve in the unit. Additionally the automotive maintenance platoon keeps a reserve of 150 liters for each unit vehicle. These gasoline reserves are for transport vehicles only and do not include the reserve tanks.
5. Grain and flour are brought into the Soviet Zone of Germany from the USSR in fairly large quantities; there are insufficient supplies of these commodities in East Germany to meet the demands of the Soviet Army. All POL supplies are brought to the Soviet Zone of Germany from the USSR. The octane rating of East German gasoline is too low for the efficient operation of the US vehicles which constitute 80% of the Soviet Army motorization. (Of the 48 in my unit, only three were of Soviet ZIS make, and the other 45 were of US manufacture.) All foodstuffs other than grain and flour are procured in Germany. Uniforms for both officers and enlisted men are also procured from German sources.
6. I cannot give percentages on the amounts of supplies coming from specific areas.
7. I have never heard of any factories which make ammunition in the Soviet Zone of Germany.
8. [redacted] regiment had gas masks (marked L-2), chemical first-aid kits, portable flame throwers, and a portable decontamination device called RDP (Ruchnoi Degazitsionnyi Pribor). This is all the information I have on chemical warfare equipment or supplies in the Soviet Zone of Germany. The supplies I mentioned, except for the gas masks kept by individuals, are kept in the regimental supply rooms. Beyond this, I know nothing about location of chemical warfare supplies and equipment.

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ENCLOSURES (A): A sketch of 1st Mezz Army Food Depot and Land Saxony Vegetable Storehouse in Dresden

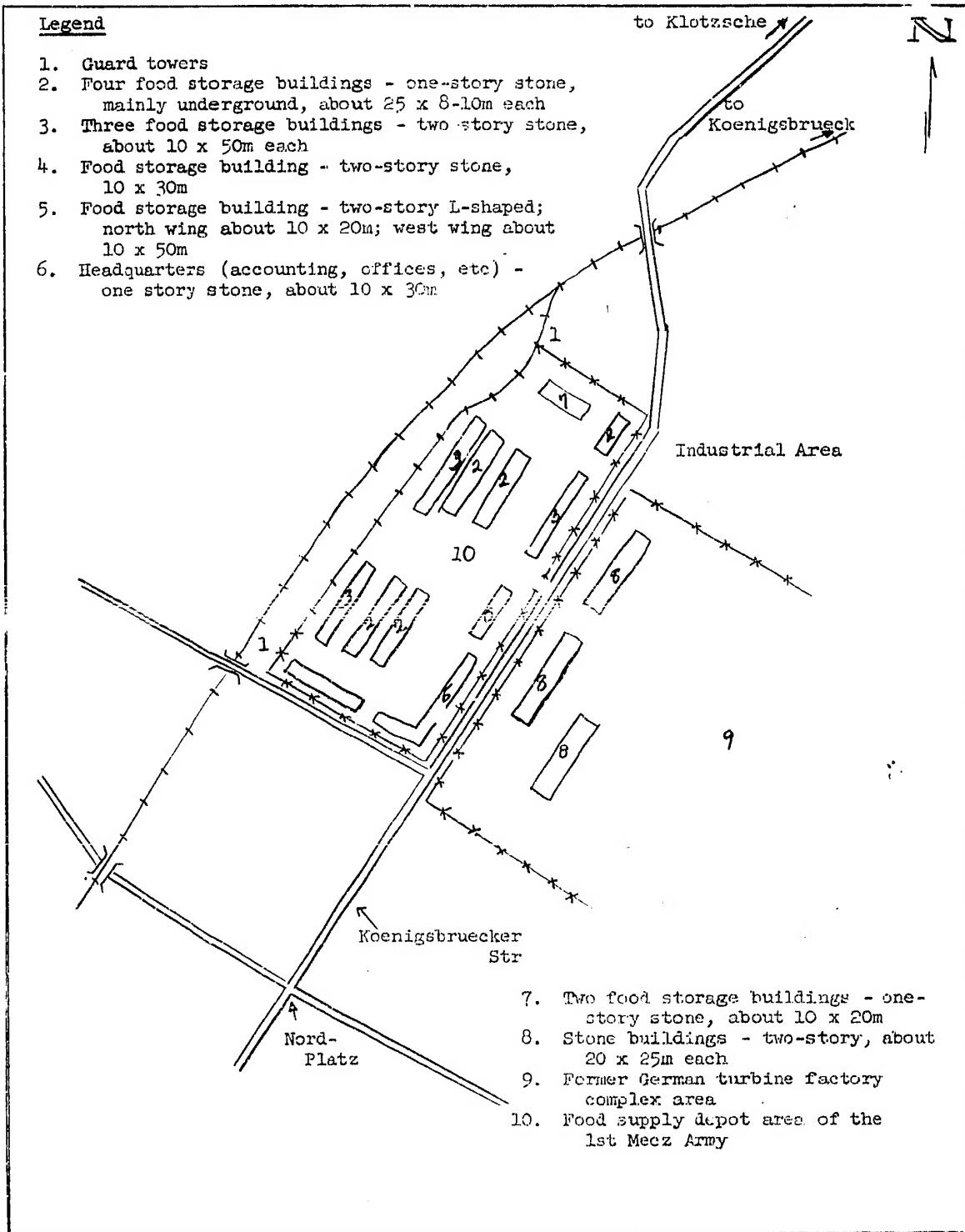
(B): A sketch of 1st Mezz Army POL Depot in Radebeul - West

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ENCLOSURE (A)

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1st Mecz Army Food Depot, and Land Saxony Vegetable Storehouse in Dresden

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ENCLOSURE (B)

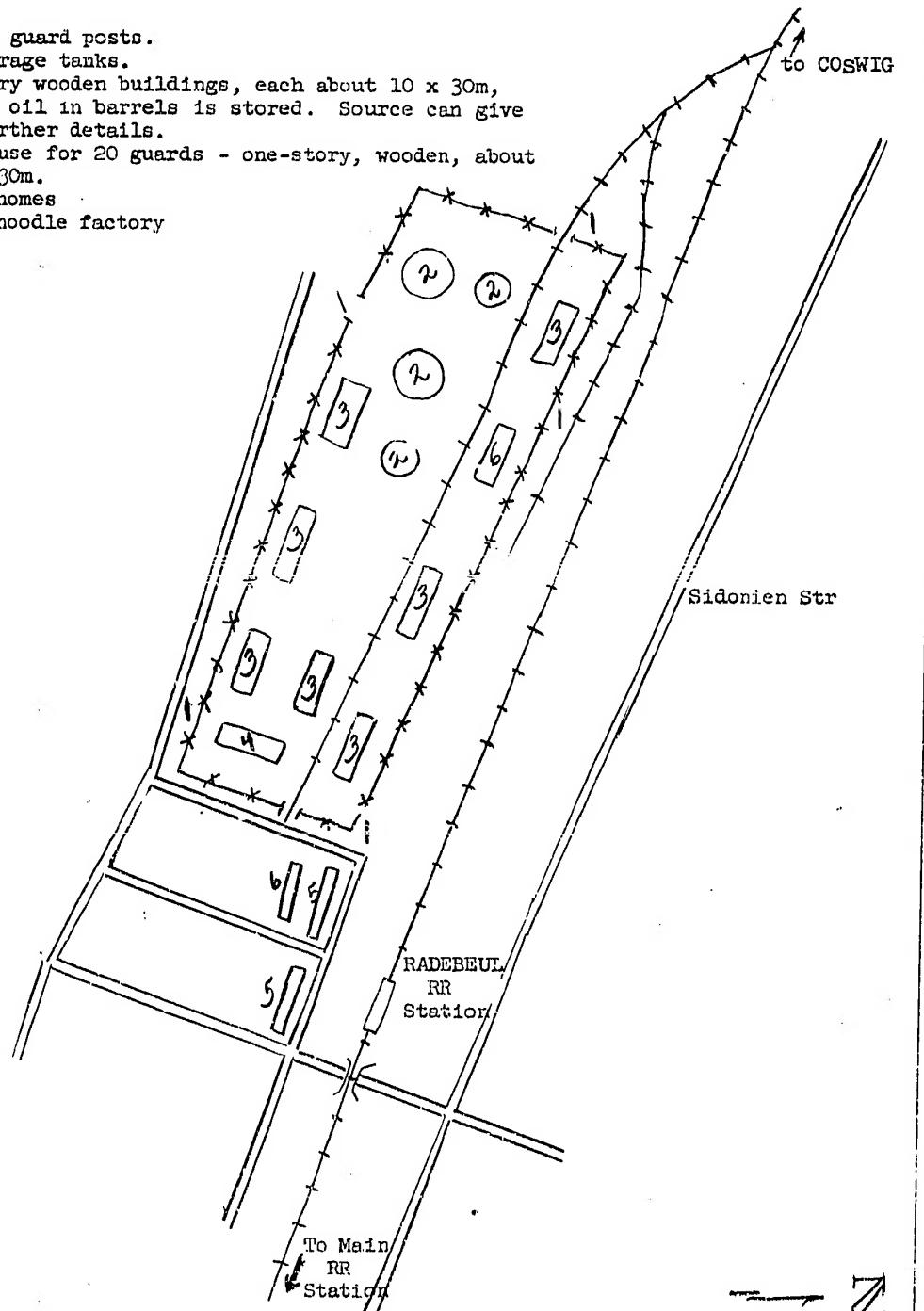
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1st Mecz Army POL Depot in RADEBEUL-WESTLegend

1. 24-hour guard posts.
2. Gas storage tanks.
3. One-story wooden buildings, each about 10 x 30m, where oil in barrels is stored. Source can give no further details.
4. Guardhouse for 20 guards - one-story, wooden, about 10 x 30m.
5. German homes
6. German noodle factory



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